

ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Misc. Docket No. 00-9106

Appointment of a District Judge to Preside  
in a State Bar Disciplinary Action

The Supreme Court of Texas hereby appoints the Honorable Robert W. Francis, Judge of the Criminal District Court No. 3 of Dallas County, Texas, to preside in the Disciplinary Action styled:

**The Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Tina M. Andrews**

to be filed in a District Court of Harris County, Texas.

The Clerk of the Supreme Court shall promptly forward to the District Clerk of Harris County, Texas, a copy of this Order and of the Disciplinary Petition for filing and service pursuant to Rule 3.03, Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure.

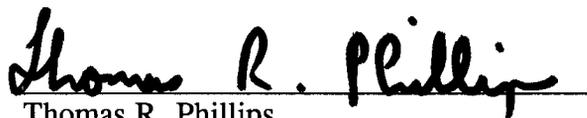
As ordered by the Supreme Court of Texas, in chambers,

With the Seal thereof affixed at the City  
Of Austin, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2000.

  
JOHN T. ADAMS, CLERK  
SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

This assignment, made by Misc. Docket No. 00-9106, is also an assignment by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court pursuant to Texas Government Code §74.057.

Signed this 18 day of July, 2000.

  
Thomas R. Phillips  
Chief Justice



**III.  
VENUE AND SERVICE**

Respondent is an attorney licensed to practice law in Texas and is a member of the State Bar of Texas. Respondent's principal place of practice is Harris County, Texas, and therefore venue is appropriate in Harris County, Texas, pursuant to Rule 3.03 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure. An officer may service citation upon Respondent located at 12503 Exchange Drive, Ste. 524, Stafford, Texas 77477.

**IV.  
FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**

On or about April 16, 1997, the 11th Judicial District Court of Harris County, Texas, in cause number 96-17707, found Respondent engaged in professional misconduct in violation of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct and appropriate orders were entered. The Court sanctioned Respondent to a two (2) year Fully Probated Suspension and ordered additional terms of the judgment. According to the terms of the judgment, among other things, Respondent was ordered to pay to the State Bar of Texas the amount of Two Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$2,000.00) as attorneys' fees incurred in the prosecution of that cause of action. Respondent was ordered to pay the attorneys' fees in monthly installments of One Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$100.00) beginning April 1, 1997. Respondent was advised that failure to comply with the terms of the judgment could result in revocation of her probation.

Between January 1999 and December 1999, the State Bar of Texas made written demands on Respondent to pay the attorneys' fees. The State Bar of Texas also made verbal telephone calls to Respondent in an attempt to work something out with Respondent for payment of the attorneys' fees. During that time, Respondent did not pay anything toward the attorneys' fees and has made

no effort to pay a single dollar toward payment of the fees. Respondent has wholly failed to pay those court ordered attorneys' fees, thus she has failed to comply with the terms of her disciplinary judgment, in violation of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct..

In addition and under that same judgment, Respondent was ordered to submit to a psychological examination and to complete additional training through the Professional Enhancement Program of the State Bar of Texas. Respondent failed to submit to the examination and did not complete the Professional Enhancement Program training. Respondent violated the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct in that she failed to abide by a court order regarding a disciplinary judgment.

The acts and/or omissions of the Respondent described in Paragraph III(A) above, which occurred on or after January 1, 1990, constitute conduct in violation of the following Rules of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct ("TDRPC"):

8.04(a)(1) for violating these Rules, knowingly assisting or inducing another to do so, or doing so through the acts of another, whether or not such violation occurred in the course of a client-lawyer relationship; and

8.04(a)(7) for violating any disciplinary or disability order or judgment.

The complaint that forms the basis of this cause of action was brought to the attention of the Office of the General Counsel of the State Bar of Texas by the State of Texas filing a complaint on or about April 27, 1999.

**Prayer**

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Petitioner the COMMISSION FOR LAWYER DISCIPLINE respectfully prays that this Court discipline Respondent by reprimand,

suspension or disbarment, as the facts shall warrant; and that the Petitioner have all other relief to which it may show itself to be justly entitled, including costs of court and attorneys' fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chief Disciplinary Counsel

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Assistant Disciplinary Counsel

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# STATE BAR OF TEXAS



**Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel**

April 19, 2000

John T. Adams, Clerk  
Supreme Court of Texas  
P.O. Box 12248  
Austin, Texas 78711

Re: Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Tina M. Andrews

Dear Mr. Adams:

Enclosed please find an original and two (2) copies of a Disciplinary Petition being filed by the Commission for Lawyer Discipline against Tina M. Andrews. Ms. Andrews has designated Harris County, Texas, as her principal place of practice. Request is hereby made that the Court appoint an active District Judge who does not reside in the Administrative Judicial Region in which Respondent resides to preside in this case. Upon appointment, request is made that you notify the Respondent at the address shown below and the undersigned of the identity and address of the judge assigned:

Tina M. Andrews  
12503 Exchange Dr., Ste. 524  
Stafford, Texas 77477

As a practical matter, I would respectfully suggest that you inquire with the judge to be appointed as to whether he or she will be able to comply with the trial as set forth in Section 3.07 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure. If not, I would respectfully request that an alternate appointment be made.

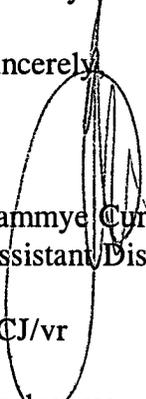
Once a trial judge has been appointed, please forward the original and two (2) copies of the Disciplinary Petition, the filing fee check, also enclosed herewith, and the Court's appointing order to the District Clerk of Harris County, Texas, with the request that the suit be filed, service be obtained, and a file-marked copy of the petition be returned to the undersigned.

Mr. John Adams  
April 19, 2000  
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Also enclosed are a pre-addressed envelope for your use in transmitting the petition, etc., to the District Clerk of Harris County, Texas, and a return envelope to be sent to the District Clerk of Harris County, Texas, for the Clerk's use in returning a file-marked copy of the Petition to the undersigned.

Thank you for your courtesies in this matter.

Sincerely,



Tammye Curtis-Jones  
Assistant Disciplinary Counsel

TCJ/vr

Enclosures

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JUL 19 2000

The Honorable Charles Bacarisse  
District Clerk of Harris County  
P.O. Box 4651  
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Mr. Bacarisse:

Pursuant to Rule 3.03 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure, I am sending for filing State Bar of Texas Disciplinary Action styled: *The Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Tina M. Andrews*, and a copy of the Supreme Court's order appointing the Honorable Robert W. Francis, Judge of the Criminal District Court No. 3, Dallas, Texas, to preside in this Disciplinary Action.

Sincerely,

**SIGNED**

John T. Adams  
Clerk

cc: Honorable Robert W. Francis  
Ms. Tammye Curtis-Jones  
Ms. Tina M. Andrews  
Ms. Melissa Dartez



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Honorable Robert W. Francis  
Judge, Criminal District Court No. 3  
133 N. Industrial Boulevard, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Dallas, Texas 75207

Dear Judge Francis:

We enclose for your information a copy of the order of assignment, a copy of the Disciplinary Action, a copy of the notification letter to Ms. Andrews and Ms. Curtis-Jones, and a copy of the letter to the District Clerk of Harris County.

It is recommended that, six to eight weeks after receipt of this letter, you contact the Harris County District Court Administrative Office (713-755-7593) to find out the district court to which this disciplinary case has been assigned. We then recommend that, either before or immediately after you set the case for trial, you again contact the Harris County District Court Administrative Office (713-755-6593) to reserve a courtroom, provide for a court reporter, etc. Finally, you should contact the Presiding Judge of the Administrative Judicial Region into which you have been assigned (713-471-3911) to obtain information on lodging, allowable expenses, and claims forms for your expenses incident to presiding over this disciplinary case.

Sincerely,

**SIGNED**

John T. Adams  
Clerk



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Ms. Tina M. Andrews  
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Stafford, Texas 77477

Dear Ms. Curtis-Jones and Ms. Andrews:

Pursuant to Rule 3.02 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure, I hereby notify you that the Supreme Court of Texas has appointed the Honorable Robert W. Francis, Judge of the Criminal District Court No. 3, Dallas, Texas to preside in

*Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Tina M. Andrews*

Sincerely,

**SIGNED**

John T. Adams  
Clerk